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## **CLAIMS**

- A method for removing pigments from a pigmented section of a skin, comprising:
  - a) providing a skin puncturing device provided with at least one needle;
  - b) puncturing the skin at said pigmented section with said skin puncturing device while said skin puncturing device contains no ink and, optionally, injecting an aqueous solution to the pigmented area during the puncturing of said skin;
- c) providing a pad containing one or more materials capable of absorbing moisture from the mixture of said aqueous solution with the pigments at said section, or absorbing moisture from the mixture of said pigments with the cellular fluids at said section; and
- d) bandaging said punctured skin with said pad, thereby causing the pigments at said section to migrate from their location toward the outer layer of the skin.
- 2. A method according to claim 1, further comprising applying one or more

  antiseptic and/or antibiotic materials to the punctured skin.

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- 3. A method according to claim 2, further comprising bandaging the punctured skin with a pad containing the one or more antiseptic and/or antibiotic materials.
- 5 4. A method according to claim 1, wherein the skin puncturing device is a tattooing device.
  - 5. A method according to claim 1, wherein each of the needles attached to the skin puncturing device is solid or hollow.

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- 6. A method according to claim 5, wherein the skin puncturing device is further provided with suction means.
- 7. A method according to claim 1, further comprising, prior to the

  bandaging of the punctured skin and during the puncturing of said

  skin, performing the suction of the pigments from said punctured skin

  with the suction means.
- 8. A method according to claim 1, wherein the material used to absorb the
  20 moisture or the pigments is in the form of a solution, a solid material or
  a combination of both a solution and a solid material.
  - 9. A method according to claim 8, wherein the material is saline.

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- 10. An adsorbent pad suitable to absorb moisture from an aqueous mixture of tattoo ink.
- 5 11. An adsorbent pad as claimed in claim 10, further comprising one or more antiseptic and/or antibiotic materials.
  - 12. A skin puncturing device comprising suction means coupled to the needle(s)

13. A method for removing a pigmented section of a skin, substantially as described and illustrated.